

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: Peter M.J. Mulier et al.  
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**PETITION FOR ONE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME**

It is requested that the time for filing the Amendment and Response, which is in response to the Non-Final Office Action mailed March 10, 2004, having a three-month response date of June 10, 2004, be extended to July 10, 2004.

The Commissioner for Patents is hereby authorized to charge the amount of \$110.00 to Deposit Account No. 50-0471 cover the one-month extension fee as set forth under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(a)(1).

Respectfully submitted,

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